

Jackals: Ezekiel 13

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Jackals/foxes are smaller than a coyote, hunt and scavenge alone, and often attacked sheep or goat herds in ancient Israel. They are known to be crafty, to eat anything, and are a nuisance and danger.

Jackals (False Prophets)	Yahweh's Prophest
Imagine their own prophecies (v 2, 3)	Give _____ to the people
Scavenging for themselves (v 4)	Serve _____ and His people
Expect God to follow their lead (v 6)	Follow _____
Make false predictions (v 6)	Make _____ predictions
Make lies look good (v 10)	_____ as untrue
Will be crushed on the Day of Judgement (v 14, 18)	Will be _____ on the Day of Judgement
Ensnare the souls of God's people by urging them to trust idols (v 18)	Urge God's people _____
Discourage the true followers of God and affirm the wicked (v 22)	_____ that!

What does the gift of prophecy look like today?

Remember!

To allow God to change our hearts, we want to connect with Him. *The Daily Connections (Good Morning God, Spiritual Boost, Good Night Review)* open up our lives to allow God to change us from the inside out.

Good Morning God is to be done when we first wake up in bed at the beginning of every day. Your *Spiritual Boost* connects you with God's words in the Bible during the day sometime when you have 10 minutes of quiet. Finally, you finish your day with *Good Night Review*, and you allow God's joy and forgiveness to come to you as you drift to sleep.

These three spiritual exercises take only 20 minutes each day, and they have been part of following Jesus for many of Jesus' followers over the last 2000 years. Try it yourself and see how your relationship with God deepens and how you are fundamentally changed by spending time with God!

Spiritual Boost Bible Readings

Day 1: Ezekiel 13:1-3

- ✳ How do you know the difference between a thought/idea from God and one from your own imagination?

Day 2: Ezekiel 13:4-7

- ✳ How can you help God's people stand firm when times are difficult?

Day 3: Ezekiel 13:8-16

- ✳ Are you afraid of judgement from God? Take a look at 1 John 4:16-18 and ask God to show your response to judgement should be.

Day 4: Ezekiel 13: 17-19

- ✳ When do you "love to listen to lies" (v 19)?

Day 5: Ezekiel 13:20-23

- ✳ If you are a follower of Jesus, ask God to encourage your heart today!